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References AA-AE listed on the attached PTO Form 1449 are references that were cited in the European Search Report. Copies of these five references are enclosed, together with a copy of the European Search Report. We have not enclosed copies of References AF-AZ because these references were submitted during the prosecution of the patent being sought to be reissued.

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